Most of the States have State level Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Development Corporations which also ex. tend assistantance to SC\ST entrepreneur-a with margta money loars upto a maximum of Rs. 6.00 000/-. The entreprenures get the Bant finance with the help of the margin money.

The National Backward Classes Finane* Corporation is also registered with a share capita] of Rs 200 crores and formalities for commissioning the Corporation to advance loads, etc. is under the actice consideration of the Government.

Humane approach to drugs addicts

1783. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whetevr it is a fact that Government are shifting their approch from considering drug addicts as criminal! and intimida-ng them with fear of the law than to a mora human approach- and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the details of the action take by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Minister of Welfare believes that drug abuse is a disease which can be cured by helping the addict to recover through a well rounded approach of counselling, deaddication, rehabilitate and social reintegration.

(b) Voluntary organisations are being funded for providing counselling, deaddic-tion and rehabilitation to the drug addicts. In addition funds for awareness building programmes are also made available. The basic thrust is that by following a comma. nity based approach and by treating the addict in the entirely of his life situation, he is helped to return to society with the required sobriety as a productive and wholesome citizen.

The House then adjourned at sixteen minutes past eleven of the clock till eleven of the clock on Monday, the 27th July, 1992.